

**LYNCHBURG CITY COUNCIL  
Agenda Item Summary**

MEETING DATE: **November 22, 2005**

AGENDA ITEM NO.: 6

CONSENT:

REGULAR: **X**

CLOSED SESSION:  
(Confidential)

ACTION: **X**

INFORMATION:

ITEM TITLE: **Amendment to Chapter 19 of the City Code, Fire Code Enforcement**

RECOMMENDATION:

Amend the City Code to enforce the latest edition of the Virginia Statewide Fire Prevention Code.

SUMMARY:

On November 16, 2005, the Virginia Department of Housing and Community Development adopted the 2003 edition of the International Fire Code as the Virginia Statewide Fire Prevention Code. Localities that wish to enforce a fire prevention code are required to enforce the 2003 version of the International Fire Code. It is necessary to amend Section 19-42 of the City Code to remove the references to the 2000 edition of the Fire Prevention Code and replace them with references to the 2003 edition of the Fire Prevention Code.

PRIOR ACTION(S):

On December 16, 2003, City Council amended the City Code to enforce the 2000 edition of the Virginia Statewide Property Maintenance Code.

FISCAL IMPACT:

None

CONTACT(S):

Robert DeJarnette, Fire Marshal, 455-6351 or Walter Erwin, 455-3973.

ATTACHMENT(S):

An ordinance amending Section 19-42 of the City Code.

REVIEWED BY: lkp

## ORDINANCE

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND REENACT SECTION 19-42 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF LYNCHBURG, 1981, THE AMENDED SECTION RELATING TO THE ENFORCEMENT OF THE 2003 EDITION OF THE VIRGINIA STATEWIDE FIRE PREVENTION CODE.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LYNCHBURG:

1. That Section 19-42 of the Code of the City of Lynchburg, 1981, be and the same is hereby amended and reenacted as follows:

Sec. 19-42. Adoption of code.

For the purposes of establishing rules and regulations to safeguard life, and property and public welfare from the hazards of substances, materials or devices and from conditions hazardous to life, property or public welfare in the use of or occupancy of buildings, structures, sheds, tents, lots or premises, that certain fire prevention code known as the Virginia Statewide Fire Prevention Code 2009~~3~~ edition, and the whole thereof, save and except such portions as are hereinafter deleted, modified, amended, added or changed, are hereby adopted and incorporated, subject to the aforesaid deletions, modifications, amendments, additions and changes as fully as if set out at length herein, including all appendices and all of the codes and standards referenced therein, as provided by Section 1-220 of the Code of Virginia. Further, all future editions of the Virginia Uniform Statewide Fire Code and all amendments thereto are hereby automatically adopted and incorporated into the city code. Copies of said code are on file in the office of the chief of the fire department of the City of Lynchburg, Virginia, at 800 Madison Street in the city, where they may be viewed on weekdays between the following hours, viz Mondays through Fridays from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Said Virginia Statewide Fire Prevention Code 2009~~3~~ edition, as so amended, is hereby adopted and incorporated as fully as if set out at length herein, and on and after the date on which this section shall take effect, the provisions thereof shall be controlling within the corporate limits of the City of Lynchburg, Virginia.

2. That this ordinance shall become effective upon its adoption.

Adopted:

Certified:

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Clerk of Council

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